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March 20, 1976

Meetings of the Curatorial Standing Committees

Seven of the eight new Committees are planning to have an opening meeting on April 10 to coincide with the Society's spring meeting. The schedule is as follows:

April 10 at 10 o'clock:

Greek - John Leggett, Chair[illegible]n; Nancy Waggoner, Secretary
Roman and Byzantine - Roger Hornsby, Chairman; William Metcalf, Secretary
Islamic and South Asian - [illegible]n Slocum, Chairman; Michael Bates, Secretary
Western Hemisphere - Eric Newman, Chairman; Richard Doty, Secretary
Medals and Decorations - T. James Luce, Chairman; Jeremiah Brady, Secretary

April 10 at 11 o'clock:

Mediaeval - Mrs. R. Henry Norweb, Chairman; Jeremiah Brady, Secretary
Modern - R. Henry Norweb, Chairman; Richard Doty, Secretary

All meetings will be held in proximity to the vaults. Many members of Council will be directly involved in chairing these sessions. We very much hope that other members of Council will find it possible to attend at least some of the meetings.

Margaret Thompson
Margaret Thompson
Chief Curator

MT:RMg

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March 30, 1976

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

This is to remind you that the Western Hemisphere Standing Committee will meet on 10 April at 10:00 A.M. We shall be gathering in the library area immediately outside the vault. While no firm agenda is possible at this point, some obvious topics of conversation would be:

1) the overall purposes of this particular committee
2) strengths and weaknesses in our collection, and possible ways of making up deficiencies in material
3) gaps in cataloging, researching, and organizing material already present, and the possibility of finding volunteers to work on these gaps
4) the frequency and place of future meetings
5) the recruitment of new committee members.

I would suggest a tour of the vault and an inspection of our holdings as an essential element of the meeting.

If you have suggestions for other activities, general comments, etc., please bring them forth at the meeting. I'm looking forward to meeting with you and remain

Yours sincerely,

Dick

Richard G. Doty
Assistant Curator of Modern Coins

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John Francis

Canadian Tokens

Civil War Tokens John Harris

Gene Hessler

U.S. Paper incl bank notes + scrip

Latin American paper

Emery Mac Nerveck.

Canadian Tokens (Not decimal)

Early paper money

Mexican

Brazil coins + tokens

Guatemala coins + tokens

Latin American coins + tokens + medals

Bob Vlack

U.S. Colonial Coinage + paper money.

~~[illegible]~~

French Colonial Coins 19th century

Foreign coinage circulating in America

[illegible]

[illegible]

Jean [illegible] Kirby
Ken Prescott

Tape [illegible]
[illegible] members

Notify.

Nominate [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to Society
send copies to each
Bob demonstration of how [illegible] [illegible]

Colonial Newsletter —
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Announce Project of Directory

AGENDA FOR STANDING COMMITTEE

I. Membership of the committee
  a. Major interests of members, fields of greatest competency
  b. Addition of members: how to proceed, specific people, if any

II. Ground-rules for meetings
  a. Frequency
  b. Type of meeting: general and smaller, specialized?

III. Goals: what we want from our committee
  a. Research on material already in the cabinet
  b. Publication
  c. Public relations, especially in the contemporary field
  d. Location of new materials, to fill essential gaps in the collection. This is dependent on a) and
  e. A cataloging of what we actually have. There are several areas where this has not been done, e.g., paper and, to a certain extent, tokens
  f. Increase of funds for coin purchases, and seeing that we get our fair share of current purchase funds
  g. Purchase priorities. Based on the current coin purchase budget, can we afford to acquire contemporary coinage of all countries, of all denominations, year-by-year?

IV. If time permits, an inspection of our holdings; otherwise, a brief oral report

Western Hemisphere Committee - Minutes - April 10, 1976

The Western Hemisphere Committee of the American Numismatic Society convened in the ANS library at 10:00 A.M. Present were the Chairman, Mr. Eric P. Newman, and Mr. Robert Vlack, Mr. John Francis, Mrs. R. Henry Norweb, Mr. Gene Hessler, and, Mr. Richard Doty, Secretary. Mr. R. Henry Norweb attended the meeting as an observer.

The meeting opened with a brief discussion of the general goals of the Committee, and each member then described his or her areas of special interest and competency. While it was noted with satisfaction that the Committee is fairly well-balanced in terms of representation, suggestions were put forth to add to the membership. Mr. Doty will contact Mr. Clyde Hubbard for possible inclusion on the Committee, and Mr. Newman will do the same for Messrs. James Haxby and Kenneth Bressett.

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The meeting adjourned at 11:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Doty, Secretary

Did Ken write Norweb.
Write Ken + Jim
To avoid work by ~~[illegible]~~ staff ~~[illegible]~~ to answer inquiries
To encourage gifts to fill openings
To be of assistance to research
To control the dealings more easily.

The American Numismatic Society
Committee on Islamic and South Asian Coins
First Meeting, 10 April 1976

The meeting was called to order by Mr. John Slocum, Chairman. Present were Messrs. Bacharach, Hebert, MacKenzie, Panish, and Smith, members, as well as Messrs. Roy Mottahedeh and Richard Salomon as guests pending their election to membership in the Society and appointment to the Committee.

Mr. Slocum began the meeting with a description of the general aims of the Society's reconstitution of the committees and some thoughts on specific problems this Committee might take on. Mr. Bates then reported on work in the departments, including the experimental reorganization of the Society's Umayyad collection by regions, provinces, and mints in place of the older typological arrangement and on the reordering by volunteer members of the Committee of our Ottoman, Indian states, and Ksatrapa holdings. He also discussed a proposed sale of some Arab-Sasanian duplicates in the A.N.S. collection.

The discussion then turned to matters of general concern to Islamic and South Asian numismatic scholarship. Topics discussed included the task of recording the many hoards currently being imported into the U.S. for sale; present and future programs of instruction in Islamic or South Asian numismatics at U.S. universities; the problems of communication among numismatists and between numismatists and historians; and the need to record and make available numismatic resources in North American institutions.

Two actions were decided upon as first steps in dealing with these problems.

1) The committee will compile a list of North American scholars, academic and amateur, on our fields, with information on their areas of expertise and interest and on their current research projects. Mr. Bacharach is to draft a proposed questionnaire to be sent out to persons already known to the committee, and various avenues of publicity to discover additional names were discussed.

2) The committee will also compile a directory of North American institutional holdings of Islamic and South Asian coins, including the state of organization and availability of the material. Mr. Hebert will provide a draft questionnaire for this survey, with a preliminary list of institutions to which the questionnaire may be sent.

It is hoped that these two listings will facilitate bringing together institutions with unstudied material and scholars who would be willing to classify, organize, and perhaps catalogue these holdings to make them utilizable for research.

The Committee is to meet again in the early autumn on a date to be determined by the Chairman and Secretary. It was suggested that the annual meeting for 1977 might be held immediately before the A.O.S. meeting in Ithaca in late April, so as to facilitate travel by Committee members from the West Coast.

Michael L. Bates
Secretary

Minutes of the first meeting of
the Standing Committee on Greek Coins

April 10, 1976

The first meeting of the newly organized Standing Committee on Greek Coins was held on Saturday, April 10 at 10 A.M. In attendance were John D. Leggett, Jr., Chairman, Harry W. Fowler, H. Bartlett Wells, Hyla A. Troxell, and Nancy M. Waggoner, Secretary. Also present during part of the discussion were Margaret Thompson, Chief Curator, and Baldwin Maull. Arthur Houghton sent regrets at inability to attend.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman. After a statement of the Greek department's budget for the current fiscal year, the agenda was covered as proposed. Greatest interest centered around the question of forgeries, the importance of obtaining information with regard to newly discovered hoards, and the proposal to ascertain the existence of previously unknown private collections of Greek coins in the U.S.A.

It was pointed out that in recent years Beirut has been one important source of mint activity for the counterfeiting of Greek coins, with improved techniques that make counterfeits increasingly difficult to detect. The desirability of building up the Society's collection of Greek forgeries for purposes of comparison was emphasized, as was our wish to cooperate with the International Bureau for the Suppression of Counterfeit Coins, newly created under the auspices of the International Association of Professional Numismatists. The first bulletin of the IBSCC, containing an article on recent counterfeits of gold staters of Alexander III was brought to the committee's attention.

With regard to hoards, it was noted that the lack of ample reward to the finder on the part of the government in the country of origin, and consequent clandestine dispersal of hoard contents too often destroys the historical context and with it evidence so important for the dating of Greek coins. It was agreed that in these circumstances one can only persevere in the attempt to obtain as comlete a record as possible, when new hoards come to our attention. The attempt to acquire a complete record of approximately 900 archaic Greek coins from a hoard uncovered a few years ago in Egypt was successful, due only to widespread international cooperation. The fully illustrated recent publication of this hoard by Martin Price of the British Museum and Nancy Waggoner was circulated. The annual report of coin hoards, published by the Royal Numismatic Society, promises to be a useful reference. The first volume has recently appeared and volume 2 is now in preparation.

It was decided that greater effort should be devoted to seeking out unknown

collections of Greek coins in this country, and to inducing these collectors' interest in the Society. It was suggested that dealers could be a major channel for closer contact.

Major works in progress by the department's curators were reported, as well as studies being prepared for press by other members of the Society. Margaret Thompson is currently working on the drachm mints of Alexander the Great in Asia Minor; Nancy Waggoner is incorporating new material in her study of Alexander's mint at Babylon; and Orestes Zervos is completing his work on the satrapal coinage of Ptolemy I. Hyla Troxell's study of the coinage of the Lycian League is now ready for the press, and Fred Kleiner's investigation of the early Pergamene cistophori will soon appear in the next volume of the Society's Museum Studies. While the desire was expressed to see more rapid publication of the Greek collection, it was noted that our goal of one Sylloge volume a year is, so far, on schedule, with the recent appearance of the third volume prepared by Hyla Troxell, and the fourth, on Arabia and Palestine, in preparation by Jaakov Meshorer of the Israel Museum in Jerusalem.

Following the business meeting, committee members were invited into the vault to view new accessions, a few pieces from our forgery trays, and coins of special interest to individual members.

The meeting was adjourned at 12 noon, after the decision to hold the second committee meeting this coming Fall.

Nancy M. Waggoner
Secretary

The first meeting of the standing committee on mediaeval and early modern coins took place on Saturday, 10 April, at 11 A.M., in the library annex of the ANS, with Mrs. Norweb presiding, and the full committee of six and the secretary present.

After introducing themselves and briefly stating their specialties, members heard a brief account of the obsolete committees and a brief prospectus for the new one.

In a general discussion, the chairman stressed two points above others: (1) the utility of having available at the ANS exact records of outstanding specimens in private collections, and (2) the desirability of a complete catalogue of the ANS collection. A pooled inventory is a great boon to scholarship.

On the first point, members were invited to submit inventories of their own collections. It was noted that some coins available in the trade at moderate prices might have unusual interest because of the combination of mint and moneyer (as in the English field), or because of other discriminants (as in Florentine gold). The possibility was mentioned of publishing short notices of new findings in a Newsletter now being contemplated by the director.

On the second point, the current procedure of accessioning and storing coins was discussed. In some cases (less common in this than in other fields), a new accession must be entered without complete catalogue data, since the coin itself is the raw material of scholarship. Reference was made to the inventory system used by the British Museum. (The same matter arose in another committee and Miss Thompson was asked to make a preliminary inquiry during her visit to London in late April.) Clearly the subject will be of interest to every committee.

Shortage of time did not allow discussion of many of the topics in the draft agenda, and the meeting concluded at noon.

Since I can count on seeing almost all the members informally between now and the end of the summer, I look forward to any discussion of topics not yet covered. We might find it useful to meet again as a group in October or November.

J.D. Brady

Modern Coin Committee - Minutes April 10, 1976

The meeting of the Modern Coin Committee convened at 11:10 A.M. in the second floor Coin Room of the ANS. Present were Messrs. R. Henry Norweb (Chairman), Henry Grunthal, Philip Y. Reinhart, and Richard Doty (Secretary). Mr. Norweb presented his concept of Committee goals, which included the revival of this important part of the Society and the aiding of the ANS curatorial staff in their work in the modern field. Additional goals were suggested, such as the expansion of public relations contacts. Finally, the Committee strongly advocated the acquisition of specimens of all circulating contemporary coinage as they are issued, in an effort to continue our position of excellence in this field.

The Committee devoted major attention to increasing membership. Mr. Grunthal is to present a list of possible candidates to Mr. Norweb, who will then contact them. It was also suggested that contact with the American Numismatic Association be increased, as a possible source of new Committee members.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Doty, Secretary

Western Hemisphere Committee - Minutes - April 10, 1976

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Respectfully submitted,

Richard Doty, Secretary

Standing Committee on Roman and Byzantine Coins

Meeting of April 10, 1976

The first meeting of the newly-constituted Standing Committee on Roman and Byzantine Coins was opened at 10 A.M. by Roger Hornsby, Chairman, with all members present. Mr. Metcalf gave a brief history of the Standing Committees, outlining the considerations which led to alteration of those sections of the Constitution and By-Laws relating to committees. He noted that the responsibilities of the new committees now included advice on specific needs and problems; recommendation of ways and means of improving the collection; and promoting public awareness of the objectives and achievements of the ANS.

These three topics consumed the remainder of the discussion. Committee members commented on various weaknesses in the collection. Mr. Schonwalter noted that the collection had always been weak in imperial bronze, and was seconded by Mr. Brilliant. Committee members were given a copy of the coin purchase budget for fiscal 1973-1976, and Mr. Metcalf noted the difficulty of systematic acquisition in today's market. He noted the recent establishment of the Gale fund for the purchase of Roman coins, which might increase the department's future allocations. Mr. Hersh suggested further sale of duplicates, especially aes grave of which the ANS has a superfluity. He further suggested that some European dealers would be happy to help improve the collection in specific areas;

he was seconded by Mr. Bedoukian who noted that many dealers prefer the stability and prestige a long-term relationship with a museum confers.

The discussion turned to promotion of the ANS's aims and achievements. It was suggested that the ANS should take a more active role in fostering interest in numismatics at the university level. Mr. Hornsby and Mrs. Cody noted that they were able to teach numismatics only infrequently; Mr. Brilliant said that Columbia University was interested in establishing a course in Roman numismatics but did not have the funds to do so immediately.

Mr. Brilliant suggested that the ANS might take advantage of the renewed interest in publication of ancient material reflected by the Iconographical Lexicon and the Corpus of Roman Sculpture, and investigate the possibility of publishing college and university collections in the United States. The Columbia collection of Republican coins was suggested, since it is broad and of good quality and funds might be available from the University. Mr. Brilliant noted that the university's Committee on Art Properties might be receptive to a proposal to lend the collection to the ANS for a specified period (e.g. five years) to permit cataloguing with a view toward eventual publication. It was the sense of the meeting that such a proposal should be made by Council to the Committee on Art Properties at the committee's September meeting.

It was further suggested that a survey be taken of approximately 100 colleges and universities to determine which had collections of Roman

or Byzantine coins. Mr. Sullivan offered to provide postage and secretarial help, and Mr. Metcalf was appointed to assemble a list and draft a letter to be sent to the colleges before the end of this academic year.

Mr. Brilliant further suggested that some form of flyer might be inserted in trade publications to draw the attention of collectors and dealers to the museum and its functions.

Mr. Hersh suggested Fred Knobloch and Mr. Hornsby suggested Kevin Hebert as possible new members of the committee. Mr. Metcalf proposed to write Mr. Knobloch, who served on the old standing committee.

The next meeting of the committee was scheduled for 10 A.M. November 6, 1976.

Princeton University DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS
103 EAST PYNE
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY 08540

20 April 1976

To the members of the Committee on Medals and Decorations:

I want to thank all of you for your attendance, interest and enthusiasm on ~~May~~ April 10th. This letter will sum up some of the points discussed and will make a few arrangements for the future.

Jeremiah Brady has agreed to give us a tour of the medals and decorations collection on Saturday, June 12th, at 10 o'clock. I would suggest that at its conclusion we go to a place nearby for lunch and hold an informal discussion on the matters that particularly interest us.

The following are matters of special concern:

1. Membership on the Committee: a suggestion has been made that we add an artist and/or an academic art historian.

2. Borrowing: it has been suggested that long and short term borrowing be looked into, especially from the Metropolitan Museum and from Europe. We should pool our knowledge as to just what is/may be available, for what purposes we would do the borrowing, and how it might be exhibited and made generally available. Members are invited to submit specific proposals for the committee to consider.

3. Sharing and lending out: how much of this has been done in the past? Do potential borrowers know in fact of the range and particular excellences of our collection?

4. Publicity and Donation: What can be done to publicize the Society's interest in and commitment to medals and decorations? What steps can be taken to encourage donations and bequests? Several suggestions were made about appeals to governments and institutions: it would be appreciated if a list of potential donors could be drawn up and a tentative plan of approach outlined. And what might we do to encourage individual collectors and holders?

5. Cataloguing of our collection: some of the advantages and problems of this procedure were discussed. In particular the costs, the personnel, and the desired method(s) of cataloguing need to be carefully outlined.

Undoubtedly these topics are too many for a single tour and luncheon: the Committee will have more than enough to keep it busy in the near future. One matter scarcely brought up at our meeting concerns the amounts available to purchase medals and decorations and how in the past this money has been spent. The tour on June 12th will give us an opportunity to learn about the strengths and weaknesses of our collection and where recent purchases have been made.

Do not hesitate to write or call me about any queries and suggestions you may have. Any proposals you would care to submit in writtten form and in advance of our meeting will be gratefully received.

Sincerely yours,

T. James Luce, Jr.

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Office phone: 609-452-3958

cc: Jeremiah D. Brady
Margaret Thompson

TJL/dmvk

9511 LAKE SHORE BOULEVARD
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44108

April 28, 1976

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Mo. 63105

My dear Eric,

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Mr. Doty. I judge that he wants me to send the cards directly to you which I will do under separate cover. It is almost easier to send the whole lot at once as they fill a shoe box nicely.

I am delighted with the results of your committee, mine is completely moribund. The secretary, Mr. Brady, will not take notes and prefers to direct the committee instead of tending to his knitting. None of the members had a chance to express their opinion on anything. He flatly refused to consider registration cards. In fact, the only thing he wanted was publication, I presume for some of his work.

Sincerely yours,

Emery May Norweb

Mrs. R. Henry Norweb

Enclosure

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

May 7, 1976

Mrs. R. Henry Norweb
2511 Lake Shore Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio 44108

Dear Emery:

Your cooperation in connection with the Western Hemisphere Committee matters is most appreciated. Margaret Thompson has just visited the British Museum and discussed their card system with them as well as their computerizing ideas. Leslie Flam also has a file on the card system used by museums in general.

I think we are on the right track and I appreciate your help as always.

Cordially,

Eric P. Newman

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April 22, 1976

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Mrs. R. Henry Norweb
9511 Lake Shore Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio 44108

Dear Mrs. Norweb:

Eric Newman called me this morning in regard to the card catalog you prepared on your Canadian holdings. Could you send it (or a portion of it) to him as a possible model for our numismatic inventory plans? I am more and more convinced that such cataloging will be an essential tool in our work at ANS. Incidentally, you should be receiving the minutes of our first meeting in a week or so. I think we made an excellent beginning, and I'm looking forward to our next meeting.

In regard to your loan to ANS for the Bicentennial exhibit, I think we have enough material as things presently stand. We should have well over 400 items on display, and that, I think, is more or less the upward limit on a specialized exhibition of this type. In any event, thank you for your kind offer.

Yours faithfully,

Richard G. Doty
Assistant Curator of
Modern Coins

RGD:mw

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

May 18, 1976

Mr. James Haxby
Deputy Curator
Bank of Canada
Ottowa, Canada K1A0G9

Dear Jim:

Recently the American Numismatic Society has reorganized its standing committees which have been generally inactive for many years. I was asked to be chairman of the Western Hemisphere Committee, which, to say the least, is a broad enough subject. I am asking you to join that committee. No dealers are eligible to join these committees.

Mrs. Henry Norweb is the only other person on the committee who knows the Canadian field well, but she is also knowledgeable in many other fields and is not as active as formerly. We need you. Our purpose is to help the Society in various ways and to stimulate research and interest in our area. At our first meeting we decided to investigate preparing a card index for computerizing A.N.S. holdings in part of our field so that such information would be available. This is probably a problem you have contended with. We expect to do most of our work by mail, but we will meet in New York on occasion.

I do not believe there is a conflict of interest between your primary loyalties and this work, but if any does arise you can avoid participation in any such phase.

If there are any questions you may have, please feel free to ask.

Kindest regards,

Eric P. Newman

EPN:jah

cc: Mr. Richard Doty,
Committee Secretary

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

May 18, 1976

Mr. Kenneth Bressett
Whitman Publishing Co.
1220 Mound Avenue
Racine, WI 53404

Dear Ken:

I would like to ask you formally to be a member of the American Numismatic Society's Western Hemisphere Committee. I have mentioned to you previously that I am Committee Chairman and I hope you will join. No dealers in numismatic items are eligible. I do not think there will be any conflict of interest between your loyalties and this work. The Committee is to guide itself as to functions it determines are helpful to ANS goals. One of our thoughts is to investigate the preparation of a card inventory for computerization of the ANS holdings.

I'll gladly give you further detail if you wish.

Cordially,

Eric P. Newman

EPN:jah

cc: Mr. Richard Doty,
Committee Secretary

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WESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.

May 21, 1976

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Eric:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 18 inviting me to serve the American Numismatic Society as a member of the Western Hemisphere Committee.

I feel honored that you should ask me and, of course, I am willing to do whatever I can to serve in the best interest of the Society.

I am not, nor have I ever been, engaged in buying and selling coins; therefore, I am sure there would be no conflict of interest in the work.

Sincerely,

WESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.

Kenneth E. Bressett, Manager
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July 12, 1977

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

We've long been overdue for a meeting of the Western Hemisphere Standing Committee. Subject to everyone's approval, I propose that we meet on Saturday, September 10, at 10:00 A.M. in the East Wing of the Library. While I'd deeply appreciate any suggestions you might have as to agenda, it strikes me that the following topics might be included:

1) securing additional funds to build up our Western Hemisphere holdings;

2) the question of volunteers, both from within and outside the committee;

3) recruiting new members.

I'd also like to bring you up to date on my own activities in the area of cataloging our collection and finding points of strength and weakness in it. Hoping to hear from you soon, I am

Sincerely yours,

Richard G. Doty
Associate Curator of
Modern Coins

RGD:mw

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

July 20, 1977

Mr. Richard D. Doty
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway between 155th and 156th Sts.
New York, NY 10032

Dear Dick:

Thank you for your letter of July 12, 1977, with respect to the Western Hemisphere Standing Committee. While the date of the meeting seems satisfactory, I do not want to set a date for a meeting until we get an agenda generally agreed upon.

I previously suggested and urged that an inventory card file of information on the Society's holdings in Western Hemisphere items be prepared and computerized for print out. The computer bank can be furnished without cost I was advised. I am not sure of the extent of the appeal to the Society. Would you ask Leslie and Margaret what they now think of this project. The cards for certain series would be of benefit in any event.

I am opposed to the principle of solicitation of cash donations to build up the collection in the Western Hemisphere category. We should urge donations of numismatic items by showing where our gaps are and not interfere with fund raising activity of the Society as a whole.

You raise the question of volunteers which is what we have on the Committee. We certainly don't want to get more volunteers until we have a project.

As to recruiting new members, I do not know whether you mean members of the Society or members of the Committee.

As to a report of your work, that would be great.

Can you discuss with Leslie some of the projects he thinks one might undertake and let me know.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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June 21, 1977

Mr. Lee Martin
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Dear Lee:

The three speakers I have selected and have consented to the NLG forum are Harvey Stack, Joseph R. Lasser and Q. David Bowers. You seem to want four and therefore I asked Harry Boosell. Harry will be glad to talk, but his subject will be something on 1873. I had wished he would give another topic. Would you be nice enough to tell me if you feel four speakers would be practical as very few stick to 20 minutes and people are exhausted by the time question period comes. The moderator always thinks he is very brief, but never is. I would like to be guided by your thinking.

Please tell me what answer you have given to answer David Bowers' letter of June 13.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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August 9, 1977

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

The meeting of the Western Hemisphere Standing Committee has been postponed. The new meeting date is 12 November, at 10:00 A.M., in the Bass Room, ANS. An agenda will be sent to you shortly.

Sincerely,

Richard G. Doty
Associate Curator of
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RGD:mw

I'll send you the agenda after you and I talk on 9 September
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November 1, 1977

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

The Western Hemispheric Standing Committee will meet at 11 A.M. in the Coin Room of The American Numismatic Society. I hope you'll be able to attend.

Sincerely,

Dick

Richard G. Doty
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November 22, 1977

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

The Western Hemispheric Standing Committee met at 11:00 A.M. on 12 November. Present were Mrs. R. Henry Norweb, John Francis, James Haxby, and the Secretary, Richard Doty. Additionally, Gene Hessler planned to attend, but was called away early. A fruitful discussion on committee goals took place, and, while more frequent formal meetings were seen as important, it was also decided that individual members might come to the ANS on a regular basis, in order to catalog specific parts of our Western Hemispheric collection. Thus, John Francis will be working on early American half dollars, James Haxby on Canadiana, and Gene Hessler on paper money, etc. In addition, Mrs. Norweb kindly volunteered to donate paper money specimens to the ANS collection. The meeting adjourned at 12:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard G. Doty
Secretary

RGD:mw

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May 9, 1979

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Eric:

It strikes me that maybe you've got something there. The preparation of numismatic abstracts by Standing Committee members would be an ongoing project, and participants would not have to come to New York to be involved - a most important consideration in light of the fact that our members are scattered all over the country.

I've talked the idea over with Bill Metcalf and Marion Brady. As editor of Num Lit, Marion would wish to have members submit abstracts directly to her. At this point, however, two questions arise. Could all members be impressed into service in such a project? And would they be likely to come up with all that much more than we're currently getting through normal channels? If the answer is "yes" to both questions, I'm in favor of giving it a try.

I think we should consider the whole thing in light of a combined Modern-Western Hemisphere Standing Committee. As I understand it, you are in agreement that the two committees could be combined, and I'd definitely like to see this reform effected. I think it would pump some fresh blood into the Modern Committee, which we badly need. In any case, would you be willing to use your influence and call, write, badger, or threaten members of the two committees to a joint meeting to set this whole thing up? I have no influence with them; you're the big gun. Except for a couple of weeks at the beginning of October, my time is completely open, so we can meet whenever you like. Marion would like to be in on the meeting which certainly sounds fair to me.

Please send me your comments and/or observations. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Dick

Richard G. Doty
Associate Curator of Modern Coins

RGD:mw

(Suggested Letter)

To Members of the Modern and Western Hemisphere Committees

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A project which the proposed new committee could undertake is to write abstracts of items published in North America for Numismatic Literature. Items published in parts of the world other than North America are now being abstracted by world wide representatives and published under Marian Brady's international editorship, but items published in North America are quite extensive, cover a broad range of subject matter, and no one has been appointed to fill that abstracting function. The abstracting work could be divided among individual committee members and would not require too much input by any individual. Only writing of scholarship quality is customarily abstracted and this discretionary selection can best be exercised by the sound judgment of knowledgeable individuals. Marian Brady, as editor, would continue to review all submitted abstracts.

I believe such a committee project would give great satisfaction to those who participated, will further encourage numismatic education and writing, and will maintain the prestige of A.N.S.

I will appreciate hearing from each of you how you feel about combining the committees and undertaking the suggested abstract function. Suggestions as to other committee members are welcome and as well as other projects for the proposed committee to undertake. May I hear from you.

Sincerely,

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Chairman
Western Hemisphere Committee

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18 May, 1979

Dear Eric,

Your letter sounds very good. Below see my version of it, or rather, my additions to your original.

To Members of the Modern and Western Hemisphere Committees

Our two ANS Standing Committees have no ongoing projects. I would like to suggest that they be consolidated into a single Modern Coinage and Currency Standing Committee, dealing with coinage, paper money, and tokens from about 1700 to the present.

A project which the proposed new committee could undertake is the compilation of abstracts of books and articles published in North America in the modern field. These abstracts would be done for the Society's publication, Numismatic Literature, which has acquired international acceptance and which brings the Society much prestige. Items published outside of North America are now being abstracted by world-wide ~~rep~~ representatives and published under Marian Brady's direction, but items published in North America are quite extensive, and cover wide range of material. Thus far, no one has been found to fill that particular abstracting function. The abstracting job could be divided among individual committee members, thus not demanding too much input by any one individual. ANS abstracting is customarily limited to writing of scholarly quality, and this discretionary selection can best be exercised by the sound judgment of knowledgeably individuals, such as those found on our committee. As editor, Ms. Brady would continue to review all abstracts submitted.

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I will appreciate knowing how you feel about combining the committees and undertaking the project outlined above. Suggestions as to additional committee members are welcome, as are suggestions for other committee projects. I look forward to hearing from you.

How's that? Bill Metcalf informs me that the changes in committee structure which we propose will have to go before Council. Can we get it on the agenda for July?

Best, Dick.

1st draft

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Orig. Mailed to Doty 5/24/79

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30 May 1979

Dear Eric,

Thanks for letting me see the latest draft. I have no quarrel with it, but I showed it to Marian, who added the comments you see. She also felt that the instructing of foreign publication abstracters to send things to one another if they themselves couldn't figure them out would probably produce more confusion than it would resolve, and might also wound some of our more sensitive, official abstracters. In any case, I think we have to take Marian's feelings into account, being as she is our U.S. editor on an official basis. If you want to incorporate that change into the draft, I think you've got it.

Sincerely,

Dick

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June 13, 1979

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63105

Dear Eric:

Am returning your stuff. Marion says your revisions are fine, so I guess the whole thing can finally go out to the members.

Best regards,

Dick

Richard G. Doty
Associate Curator of
Modern Coins

RGD:mw
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Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

June 21, 1979

Mr. Richard G. Doty

Dear Dick:

Please address envelopes and mail out enclosed letters. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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WESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.

October 23, 1979

Mr. Harry W. Bass, Jr.
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway at 155th Street
New York NY 10032

Dear Harry:

Thank you for your letter of October 16 concerning the reorganization of the Standing Committees on Modern and Western Hemisphere Coins.

I would be willing to serve and assist in any way possible on the Modern Coinage and Currency Committee, and delighted to work with Eric on the project.

There is, however, a potential conflict that you may wish to consider. I am presently serving on the East Asian Committee (under Rose Houston), and this could pose a problem for participating in committee meetings which often fall at the same time.

In fact it is usually difficult for me to get to New York for meetings. Any additional trips would be nearly impossible. Yet, if I can help in any way with Modern Coinage and Currency I will be more than happy to do so.

My only reservation is that the East Asian Committee be given first priority so that I may continue with that work.

Sincerely,

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PROPOSAL TO CREATE A COMMITTEE ON MODERN COINAGE AND CURRENCY

Drastic reforms are needed to make the Standing Committees on Modern and Hemisphere Coins function in the way Council intended in its 1976 reorganization of the Standing Committees. Members of these committees must establish goals for their groups, goals which will insure the continued interest and participation of the membership and which will benefit the Society as a whole.

Before any of this can be effected the very makeup of the committees must be changed. At present there are two committees, one with too few members, the other with too many. Their membership is scattered across the country; since participation on the committees, while appointive, is voluntary and no travel expenses are reimbursed, no one can be compelled to travel several hundred miles to attend a meeting. To effect meaningful reform, three changes are proposed:

1) Merge the two committees. The Modern Committee is small, for good reason. There are very few American collectors who specialize in modern but non-Western-Hemispheric coins. Most people collect in both areas, and their interests tend to focus on the United States. Merging the two committees into one all-embracing Committee on Modern Coinage and Currency (a title which recognizes the importance of paper money in the modern period) would merely acknowledge the obvious and remove an arbitrary and artificial barrier.

2) Re-examine criteria for membership. The two moribund committees face a common problem: most of the members live far from New York and seldom visit the city. While some joint projects can be conducted by correspondence, it would be desirable to have a core of members who can be counted on to attend meetings where matters of mutual concern are discussed. A committee member who consistently cannot attend meetings is no member at all, and it should be made clear that active participation is the principal criterion for continued membership.

3) Change the membership.

At present the composition of the two committees is as follows:

MODERN	WESTERN HEMISPHERE
R. Henry Norweb Sr., Chairman	Eric P. Newman, Chairman
Henry Grunthal	Kenneth E. Bressett
Hillel Kaslove	John R. Francis
Philip Y. Reinhart	Jon Harris
	James A. Haxby
	Gene Hessler
	Mrs. R. Henry Norweb
	Robert A. Vlack

Of the current membership of the Modern Committee, Kaslove and Reinhart have not been active and [illegible] be dropped. Mr. Norweb, [illegible] [illegible] Mr. Grunthal. On the Western Hemisphere [illegible]

Recd Nov 9, 1979

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November 2, 1979

Mr. Eric P. Newman
46 Upper Grosvenor Street, Apt. 17
London W1, England

Dear Eric:

Sorry to bother you on vacation but I am at this time working on publicity for the new Committee on Modern Coins and Currency and the question of the inclusion of Louis C. Schroeder has come up.

My understanding from talking with Bill Metcalf is that you would prefer to meet Schroeder before recommending him to Bass for appointment to the committee. This is perfectly sensible but it may not be practical and we may therefore lose the chance of offering Schroeder the opportunity to become more closely associated with the Society.

He has been an Associate since 1952 (his father donated the Meissen procelain collection to us); he pays his dues every year, demonstrating continued interest, although he has contributed very little to date. He is the President and owner of Dixie Container Corporation (MBA Harvard 1955) and is involved with a number of allied container, realty and transportation companies, mostly in the South. Since he is a resident of Richmond,Maull got in touch with a banking friend of his who turned out to know Schroeder rather well - thinks highly of him as a person and a business man and indicated that if his interest in our organization were to be spurred, his ability to give might be as high as in the six figures.

Inviting him to join this newly-formed committee would be an excellent way to feel him out with regard to getting closer to the Society and its Council as a preliminary step toward considering him for the Council itself. I feel that the approach to him can be made more naturally at this time of the reorganization than at a later date when it may seem merely an afterthought.

I would very much appreciate hearing from you on this matter. I would expect that we would be in a position to publish the membership of this committee by the end of November.

Meanwhile, I hope and trust that Evelyn and you are having a well-deserved good time.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie A. Elam
Director

LAE:RMg
cc: Harry W. Bass, Jr.

Answered in longhand
11/9/79

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~~What~~ You are invited to attend a luncheon meeting of the committee on July 19, 1980 at the ANS ~~If~~ Please let ANS know if you can attend.

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Mr. Kenneth E. Bressett, Manager
Whitman Coin Products
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1220 Mound Avenue
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Dear Ken:

I'm writing you in response to your letter of 23 October to Harry Bass. As Secretary of the Modern Coinage and Currency Committee, I'm glad you can be a part of our group. The general consensus here is that there should be few, if any, meeting conflicts between our committee and that of Dr. Houston. In any case, since attendance wouldn't be mandatory at all meetings, I think you have little to worry about. I'll keep you posted as to committee events and remain,

Yours sincerely,

Richard D. Doty
Associate Curator of Modern Coins

RDD:RMg

cc: Harry W. Bass, Jr.
Eric P. Newman

16 Feb. 1980

Dear Eric,

Pls. excuse lamentable state of typing, but all our typists are currently either out, sick, or dead. I have talked to Metcalf and Marion Brady in regard to the piping of stuff thru our editor for Num. Lit. She will be gone by the time we have our meeting in April; says she's willing to come by that day (on the company time) and talk to our group. Metcalf is against this idea; he figures that the new editor (whoever it turns out to be) can simply have the idea dumped on him or her as part of the regular duties. This approach seems workable to me, provided we have somebody in Marion's slot by the April meeting.

As far as what to write to the members is concerned, something along the lines of your letter of 26 June (which I'm enclosing) might do. It should be stressed that, since this is the first meeting of the reformed, united committee, members should attend if it is at all possible. The idea of producing abstracts should be stressed, and I think I'd add foreign publications on modern subjects too; you never know what someone might come up with. Members should also attend in order to familiarize themselves with our collection, and particular aspects of it which interest them. Hopefully, this could lead to increased study of overlooked fields (which we might be able to publish), and it would also give me a better idea of holes in the modern-Western Hemispheric area, particularly those which can still be filled via purchase on limited funds.

You might also mention in passing that members should be thinking about possible new members. We really need someone good in modern, non-American anything. We can take this up at the meeting itself, however. I think that's about it. I haven't written your letter to the members, but I really think the one you wrote in re abstracts would do, as that's currently our big, agreed-upon project. Haven't found Green Ice yet; probably will, however. Best regards,

Dick

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June 4, 1980

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
P.O. Box 14020
St. Louis, MO 63178

Dear Eric:

Further to our discussion in which I began a little arm bending about Gaspar's expenses, as it turns out net of amounts received by him from Brookhaven, our share was only $72.40. I always have my hand out but I think we can cover this.

Hope to see you at the July 18 meeting. I still look forward to getting your committee involved with the Numismatic Literature project. Our new Editor (featured in the current Newsletter) is working out extremely well and would welcome the opportunity to work with the committee.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie A. Elam
Director

LAE:RMg

6 June

Dear Evie -

Thought I'd send this on to you in today's post. This is Betsy Carter's idea for the basic letter to go out to members (minus the announcement of when & where the meeting will be held). I've gone over it with her and it looks ok by me. If you concur, you wanna send it out to the membership? Noon on the 19th of July is fine; I'll talk to Margini about setting up a luncheon at that time.

Yrs. in haste,

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June 25, 1980

To Members of the ANS Standing Committee on Modern Coinage and Currency:

I have scheduled a meeting of the ANS standing committee on Modern Coinage and Currency for 11 AM on Saturday, July 19, at the ANS. The major item of business on our agenda will be consideration of a proposal that this committee undertake, as an on-going responsibility, to cooperate with the Society's editor of Numismatic Literature regarding coverage of the United States and Canada. Betsy Carter, recently appointed to the position of International Editor of NL and Contributing Editor for North America, will be present at our meeting.

The purpose of NL is to provide bibliographic, abstract information, on a current basis, of books and articles of interest to the serious student in the discipline. As outlined in NL, the principal source of information is the authors who are encouraged to send abstracts of their own work to the editor in the country where the work is published.

However, with the cooperation of the members of this committee, we have the opportunity to enhance the quality of the coverage of modern North American subjects. Committee members would be asked to concentrate on their own areas of interest, submitting abstracts directly to Mrs. Carter. All abstracts appearing in NL are identified as to authorship.

I look forward to lively discussion of this proposal at our meeting and would welcome the suggestions and recommendations of other members in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman
Chairman

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June 25, 1980

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63105

Dear Eric:

I have taken it upon myself to redraft the letter intended for the members of your committee. I have attempted to limit the content of the letter to the purpose of the meeting rather than to become involved with the mechanical details of how the project is to be carried forward. I trust that this meets with your approval.

As you know, I am extremely anxious that the committee undertake this role. I believe it is good for the committee and I know it will be extremely valuable for the readers of NL.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie A. Elam
Director

LAE:RMg

From the desk of

Margo Russell

July 7, 1980

Eric, why can't we have our committee meeting Friday morning? The Council meeting doesn't start until 2 p. m., I see by the card I just received. I am coming to New York Thursday night.

Best,

Margo

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Elizabeth Carter

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June 27, 1979

Mr. Harry W. Bass, Jr.
1150 Mercantile Dallas Building
Dallas, Texas 75201

Dear Harry;

I'm sure that ANS business couldn't be farther from your mind at this moment, but I hope that between now and the July 20 Council meeting you will have the opportunity to ponder the attached proposal. It represents Dick Doty's and my own thoughts regarding the possible reorganization of the existing Standing Committees on Modern and Western Hemisphere Coins. Neither has been particularly active, and Dick sees a merger of the two committees as our best chance at making them function. Dick has talked with Eric Newman about this, and he endorses the proposal in principle and is aware of the proposed changes in membership.

Reorganization of the committees would require amending the By-Laws, which can be done by Council action without a vote of the Fellows. That would be the easy part: actually altering the personnel raises once again the question of how we can tactfully drop delinquent members. Perhaps we should consider sending out annual notices of reappointment or "thanks for your services" notes simply to remind everyone that committee membership is neither a sinecure or a lifetime affair. I look forward to hearing your thoughts on this.

With best regards, and congratulations on your forthcoming nuptials.

Sincerely,

William E. Metcalf
Chief Curator

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cc. Eric P. Newman

PROPOSAL TO CREATE A COMMITTEE ON MODERN COINAGE AND CURRENCY

Drastic reforms are needed to make the Standing Committees on Modern and Hemisphere Coins function in the way Council intended in its 1976 reorganization of the Standing Committees. Members of these committees must establish goals for their groups, goals which will insure the continued interest and participation of the membership and which will benefit the Society as a whole.

Before any of this can be effected the very makeup of the committees must be changed. At present there are two committees, one with too few members, the other with too many. Their membership is scattered across the country; since participation on the committees, while appointive, is voluntary and no travel expenses are reimbursed, no one can be compelled to travel several hundred miles to attend a meeting. To effect meaningful reform, three changes are proposed:

1) Merge the two committees. The Modern Committee is small, for good reason. There are very few American collectors who specialize in modern but non-Western-Hemispheric coins. Most people collect in both areas, and their interests tend to focus on the United States. Merging the two committees into one all-embracing Committee on Modern Coinage and Currency (a title which recognizes the importance of paper money in the modern period) would merely acknowledge the obvious and remove an arbitrary and artificial barrier.

2) Re-examine criteria for membership. The two moribund committees face a common problem: most of the members live far from New York and seldom visit the city. While some joint projects can be conducted by correspondence, it would be desirable to have a core of members who can be counted on to attend meetings where matters of mutual concern are discussed. A committee member who consistently cannot attend meetings is no member at all, and it should be made clear that active participation is the principal criterion for continued membership.

3) Change the membership.

At present the composition of the two committees is as follows:

MODERN	WESTERN HEMISPHERE
R. Henry Norweb Sr., Chairman	Eric P. Newman, Chairman
Henry Grunthal	Kenneth E. Bressett
Hillel Kaslove	John R. Francis
Philip Y. Reinhart	Jon Harris
	James A. Haxby
	Gene Hessler
	Mrs. R. Henry Norweb
	Robert A. Vlack

Of the current membership of the Modern Committee, Kaslove and Reinhart have not been active and can appropriately be dropped. Mr. Norweb, Sr., has indicated a desire to stay on, as has Mr. Grunthal. On the Western Hemisphere Committee, Mr. Harris is now living abroad and has not been active; and while Mrs. Norweb has not formally resigned she has indicated privately that reasons of health will prevent her active participation.

Other possible new members include Margo Russell, who recently joined the Council; she might eventually make an excellent co-chairman with Eric Newman. R. Henry Norweb, Jr; and Louis C. Schroeder, although the subject has not been broached with any of these individuals.

Tentatively, then, a new committee might look like this:

Eric P. Newman, Chairman	American, mainly colonial
Kenneth E. Bressett	General modern
John R. Francis	Tokens
Henry Grunthal	American, Latin American
James A. Haxby	Canadian
Gene Hessler	Paper money
R. Henry Norweb, Jr.	General modern
Margo Russell	General modern
Louis C. Schroeder	General modern
Robert A. Vlack	Colonial
Richard G. Doty, Secretary	Paper money, Latin American

This committee would have breadth of knowledge and a sufficient core of New York-based individuals (Francis, Grunthal, Hessler, Doty) and Council members (Newman, Norweb, Russell) to insure substantial attendance at its meetings. The result should be a more active committee which can promote in a meaningful way the interests of the Society.

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July 8, 1980

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Numismatic Education Society
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis,MO 63105

Dear Eric:

The ANS will, again this year, have an information booth at the ANA Convention in Cincinnati. This continues to be an excellent contact opportunity for the Society, providing for communication with current members and encouraging Convention visitors to become better acquainted with the work of our organization.

The booth slide show, which proved popular last year, will be in operation, together with a display of our recent publications, slide sets and colorful note cards. We have, this year, prepared a combined "Gift Ideas and Publications in Print" catalogue which includes a convenient order form.

I do hope that you are willing to assist us this year in this important Society function. Our booth will operate from Monday, August 18 through Saturday, August 23. Hours of operation each day will be 12:00-5:00 P.M. divided into two periods: 12-3 and 3-5. If possible, I would appreciate knowing which period or periods best suit your schedule.

The Society will be represented this year by our Chief Curator, William Metcalf. The ANA has graciously assigned us area 1232, a wall booth, which will permit us to use a highly-visible sign.

Sincerely yours,

Leslie A. Elam
Director

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19 July, 1980

MINUTES

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Richard G. Doty
Secretary

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Canadian Numismatic Journal. Canadian Numismatic Association. Willowdale, Ontario, Can.

Canadian Paper Money Journal. Canadian Paper Money Society. Vancouver, Canada.

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Transactions of the Canadian Numismatic Research Society. Espanola, Ontario, Can.

T'ung Pao. Society for Oriental Numismatics. Iowa City, Iowa.

The Virginia Numismatist. Virginia Numismatic Assoc. Hampton, Virginia.

World Coin News. Iola, Wis.

The Young Numismatist. ANA. Colorado Springs, Col.

Addenda:

Journal of International Numismatics. Organization of International Numismatists, Bellaire, Tex.

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

August 6, 1980

Mr. Richard Doty
Assistant Curator of Modern Coins
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway at 156th St.
New York, NY 10032

Dear Dick:

Enclosed are suggested changes of the minutes. You can clarify anything I wrote or expand on it. Thank you for the draft. Send it out without my further approval.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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19 July, 1980

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The meeting adjourned at 12:45 P.M.

Richard G. Doty
Secretary

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Approved: _____
Eric P. Newman

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August 2, 1980

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63105

Dear Eric:

Enclosed find the minutes of our meeting and the periodicals list. If you approve of the minutes, please sign where indicated and return the whole thing to me. I shall then send copies of the minutes and the periodicals list to the membership.

Regarding your materials still on exhibit, I'd like to thank you for your patience in letting us keep it this long. If agreeable to you, we'd like to take color shots of the notes and then mount them in lieu of the originals. Could we return coins and bills to you at the time of the October Council meeting?

Best regards,

Dick

Richard G. Doty
Secretary

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Commentary on Selection of ANS Fellows

I believe that any past informal policy of excluding professional numismatic dealers from the category of ANS Fellows should be changed. If an associate member performs a service to numismatics, engages in numismatic scholarship, encourages ANS activities or participates in ANS activities, then these qualities should be evaluated as a basis for being elected as a Fellow. Any professional dealer must naturally have a fine reputation of long standing to cover basic requirements, but otherwise should be judged in my opinion on qualities just as any non-professional person.

Great care has been and must continue to be exercised to avoid any conflict of interest situations between professional dealers and ANS, as well as between any member and ANS so no new problem of that nature is created.

I realize that a member of Council should not be a professional numismatic dealer because that definitely could give rise to conflicts of interest involving gifts to and acquisitions by ANS as well as dispositions by ANS.

Perhaps the total number of ANS Fellows should be adjusted upward to accommodate those qualified, as numismatics has grown extensively throughout the world. Naturally there should be caution to see that the number of professional dealers does not create an imbalance. I do not feel that a group of dealers who might be Fellows would gang up to submit a nomination for an unqualified member for Fellowship status.

Certain American professional dealers from my point of view (for example Catherine Bullowa Moore, the Stacks, Q. David Bowers, Abe Kosoff, Richard Picker and others) have done more than enough for numismatics and for ANS to be reviewed for Fellowship status. Many foreign dealers also have. Admittedly those not selected as Fellows might complain, but an ongoing program of selection of Fellows so as to include professional dealers would abate any present complaint to a great extent and sustain the respect for one who is elected a Fellow.

As to normal election of Fellows, any discrimination in favor of "old age" seems unjustified. When over a reasonable period of years a associate member has demonstrated qualities for election as a Fellow, then there should be no delay in being elected.

Eric

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AGENDA - MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
JANUARY 10, 1981

1. Regrets at inability to attend from

2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of October 11, 1980, as distributed to members of the Council.

3. Applications for election as Associate Members (see attached list):

4. Consideration of the election as Fellows of the Society from a list of candidates (see attached):

5. Recording of contributions and grants received since the last meeting of the Council:

6. Recording of the total value of gifts received during calendar 1980 of $25.00 or over (see attached list):

7. Recording of the receipt of the audited financial statements for the year ended September 30, 1980.

8. Report of the Director.

9. Report of the Editor.

10. Report of the Librarian.

11. Report of the Chief Curator.

12. Other business.

13. Adjournment.